## Exercises Electrodynamics Sheet 11

[ Tutorial 7.12. ]

**Exercise 1:** Consider a charged particle moving with constant velocity v in the x-direction.

- (a) Evaluate the Liénard-Wiechert potential from exercise 10.3 for this case.
- (b) Compute the Coulomb field of the particle in its rest frame  $\Sigma'$ , and boost then to the frame in which it moves. Do you obtain the same result as under point (a)?

**Exercise 2:** The Liénard-Wiechert potential from exercise 10.3 can also be used for an accelerating particle. This leads to the important phenomenon of *radiation loss*: the accelerating particle loses energy into radiation. The rate at which this happens can be obtained by computing the Poynting vector corresponding to the Liénard-Wiechert potential, however the practical analysis is cumbersome, so we only cite the result: the radiation power per angle is

$$\frac{\mathrm{d}P_0}{\mathrm{d}\Omega} = \frac{q^2 |\vec{n} \times [(\vec{n} - \vec{\beta}) \times \dot{\vec{\beta}}]|^2}{4\pi c (1 - \vec{\beta} \cdot \vec{n})^5} \;, \quad \vec{\beta} := \frac{\dot{\vec{r}}}{c} \bigg|_{\tau = \tau_0} \;, \quad \vec{n} := \frac{\vec{x} - \vec{r}}{|\vec{x} - \vec{r}|} \bigg|_{\tau = \tau_0} \;.$$

- (a) Consider first the non-relativistic limit,  $|\vec{\beta}| \ll 1$ . In which direction, compared with the acceleration or deceleration, does most radiation take place?
- (b) Consider then acceleration or deceleration in the direction of the velocity,  $\dot{\vec{\beta}} \parallel \vec{\beta}$ , but with large velocity,  $|\vec{\beta}| \gg 1$ . In which direction is radiation emitted now? Please sketch the distribution!

Die Prüfung findet am 10.01.2023 um 13:15 - 15:45 Uhr statt, im Hörsaal A6. Keine Hilfsmittel sind erlaubt, aber die folgende Tabelle wird auf dem Prüfungsblatt gegeben:

$$\begin{split} \nabla \cdot \vec{E} &= 4\pi \rho & \nabla \cdot \vec{D} &= 4\pi \rho_{\text{ext}} & \vec{f}_L = \rho \vec{E} + \frac{1}{c} \vec{j} \times \vec{B} & \partial_t \rho + \nabla \cdot \vec{j} = 0 \\ \nabla \times \vec{B} - \frac{1}{c} \dot{\vec{E}} &= \frac{4\pi}{c} \vec{j} & \nabla \times \vec{H} - \frac{1}{c} \dot{\vec{D}} &= \frac{4\pi}{c} \vec{j}_{\text{ext}} & \frac{\mathrm{d} p^\mu}{\mathrm{d} \tau} &= \frac{q}{c} F^{\mu\nu} u_\nu & \nabla^2 \frac{1}{r} &= -4\pi \delta^{(3)}(\vec{r}) \\ \nabla \times \vec{E} + \frac{1}{c} \dot{\vec{B}} &= \vec{0} & \vec{E} &= -\nabla \phi - \frac{1}{c} \dot{\vec{A}} & \partial_\mu F^{\mu\nu} &= \frac{4\pi}{c} J^\mu & \Box \frac{\delta(r/c - t)}{r} &= 4\pi \delta^{(3)}(\vec{r}) \delta(t) \\ \nabla \cdot \vec{B} &= 0 & \vec{B} &= \nabla \times \vec{A} & F^{\mu\nu} &= \partial^\mu A^\nu - \partial^\nu A^\mu & \nabla \times (\nabla \times \vec{B}) &= \nabla (\nabla \cdot \vec{B}) - \nabla^2 \vec{B} \end{split}$$